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~~AMENDMENT FORWARDED TO THE COMMITTEE, MARCH 14, ON H. R. 554~~ *330*

Strike out all after the existing clause and insert the following:

That section 6 of the Act of August 24, 1932 (U. S. C., 1946  
edition, title 5, sec. 652), as amended, is hereby amended by  
adding a new subsection to read as follows:

"(e)(1) The right of officers or representatives of  
employee organizations representing employees of a department  
or agency or subdivision of such department or agency, to  
present grievances in behalf of their members without restraint,  
coercion, interference, intimidation, or reprisal is recognized.  
"(2) Within six months after the effective date of this  
Act, the head of each department and agency shall, after giving  
officers or representatives of employee organizations having  
members in such department or agency an opportunity to present  
their views, promulgate regulations specifying that administrative  
officers shall at the request of officers or representatives  
of the employee organizations enter, either in person or through  
such duly designated representatives, with such officers or repre-  
sentatives on matters of policy affecting working conditions,  
safety, in-service training, labor-management cooperation,  
methods of adjusting grievances, appeals, granting of leave,  
provisions, deductions, rates of pay and reduction in force.  
Such regulations shall recognize the right of such officers or  
representatives to solicit membership, collect fees or dues  
outside of regular working hours, or carry on any other lawful  
activity, without intimidation, coercion, interference, or  
reprisal.

"(3) This subsection shall not apply to the Central Intel-  
ligence Agency or the Federal Bureau of Investigation."